

## Malika Abdul-Basir - Senate Bill 569

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TO: Committee Chairman Mr. Wayne A. Schmidt and Commerce Committee Members

FROM: Lisa Gaulzetti



I am writing this note to ask for your support of Senate Bill 569, the "Michigan Strategic Fund Act".

I have worked in over 20 television and film productions over the past three years, and cannot begin to tell you how disappointed I have been with the Governor's actions regarding the Michigan Film Incentives. I have copied what I feel is the most important piece of legislation being considered here:

"The legislature finds and declares that funding:

AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION TO ENCOURAGE DIVERSIFICATION OF THE ECONOMY, TO ENCOURAGE FILM PRODUCTION, TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT, AND TO ENCOURAGE THE CREATION OF JOBS IN THIS STATE IS A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND OF PARAMOUNT CONCERN IN THE INTEREST OF THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF THIS STATE. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS, FILM PRODUCTION, INVESTMENT, AND THE CREATION OF JOBS RESULTING FROM THIS SECTION SHALL ACCRUE SUBSTANTIALLY WITHIN THIS STATE."

I appreciate your careful consideration of this bill, and look forward to hearing about the next step in the process! Michigan needs all the jobs we can get, and as every business man and woman knows, you must spend money to make money. Phasing the incentives out over time may make sense, but let's give the industry a chance!!

Thank you,

Lisa Gaulzetti